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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Please insert the following language as the first sentence of the specification following the title preferably as a separate paragraph (37 CFR 1.78(a)):

"This application is a continuation-in-part of International Application No. PCT/GB99/03666, filed on November 5, 1999, which claims the benefit of GB 9825033.5, filed on November 13, 1998."

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 15-21.

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 3 wherein said calcium compound makes up 68 to 80% wt. of said first granulate.

5. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 3 wherein said calcium compound makes up 60 to 95% wt. of said second granulate.

6. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 3 wherein in step (i) the same material is used as said diluent and as said binder.